State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

NOTICE OF HEARING

Permanent Rule to Amend ATCP 20.01(27) Relating to Prohibited Noxious Weed Seeds

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (Department) announces that it will hold a public hearing on a proposed rule relating to the addition of Palmer Amaranth and Waterhemp to the Prohibited Noxious Weed Seeds list in Wis. Admin. Code § ATCP 20.01(27).

The Department will hold one public hearing at the time and place shown below.

Hearing Date and Location:

April 30, 2018 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Room 212 Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection 2811 Agriculture Drive Madison, Wisconsin 53718

The public may also attend the public hearing via conference call at the same date and time at:

Dial-In: 1-888-291-0312 Passcode: 9668644#

The Department invites the public to attend the hearing and comment on the emergency rule. Following the public hearing, the hearing record will remain open until May 10, 2018, for additional written public comments. Comments may be sent to the Division of Agricultural Resource Management at the address below, or to greg.helmbrecht@wisconsin.gov.

You can obtain a free copy of this emergency rule and related documents including the economic impact analysis by contacting the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Division of Agricultural Resource Management, 2811 Agriculture Drive, P.O. Box 8911, Madison, Wisconsin 53708. You can also obtain a copy by calling Greg Helmbrecht at (608) 224-4596 or by emailing greg.helmbrecht@wisconsin.gov. Copies will also be available at the hearing. To view the hearing draft rule online, go to: https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/emergency_rules/all/emr1806.

Comments or concerns relating to small business may also be addressed to DATCP's small business regulatory coordinator Alex Girard at the address above, or by email to alexanderc.girard@wisconsin.gov, or by telephone at (608) 224-5114.

Hearing impaired persons may request an interpreter for this hearing. Please make reservations for a hearing interpreter by April 25, 2018, by writing to Greg Helmbrecht, Division of Agricultural Resource Management, P.O. Box 8911, Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8911; or by emailing greg.helmbrecht@wisconsin.gov or by telephone at (608) 224-4596. Alternatively, you may contact the Department TDD at (608) 224-5058. The hearing facility is handicap accessible.

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